

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 12C and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, as amended, the Center for Health Information and Analysis (“Center”) will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 31, 2014 at 10:00 A.M. at Two Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116 relative to the proposal of regulation:

957 CMR 6.00: Cost Reporting Requirements

The proposed regulation, effective April 30, 2014, sets forth the filing requirements, procedures and time frames for certain Providers to report their costs and other data to the Center. The regulation groups Providers into three categories (Type I, Type II and Type III) based upon the type of cost report and related data filed together with the frequency of such filing requirements. Type I Providers are required to file primarily a Uniform Financial Statement and Independent Auditor’s Report (UFR) on an annual basis; Type II Providers are required to file the applicable reports specified within the regulation on an annual or fiscal year basis; and Type III Providers are required to file applicable reports only upon the request of the Center and on a less frequent basis than the other two provider types. The proposed cost reporting requirements remain largely unchanged from those currently in effect and there are no new or additional reporting requirements. A few outdated or obsolete reporting requirements have been removed and minor changes have been made to the filing due dates for some Providers.

The Center is proposing this regulation in order to implement the requirements of M.G.L. c. 12C which directs the Center to collect cost report and other data from Providers. It is anticipated that Providers will incur no additional administrative costs to comply with these reporting requirements. There is no fiscal impact on cities and towns and no fiscal impact on small businesses.

Individuals that notify the Center of their intent to testify at the hearing will be afforded an earlier opportunity to speak. Speakers may notify the Center of their intention to testify at the hearing by registering online at www.mass.gov/chia/regulations. Individuals may also submit written testimony by emailing CHIA-Regulations@state.ma.us. Please submit electronic testimony as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the email with the name of the regulation in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender’s full name and address. Individuals who are unable to submit testimony by email should mail written testimony to the Center for Health Information and Analysis, Two Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116-4704. Written testimony must be submitted by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 10, 2014. Copies of the regulation are available for inspection and/or purchase at the Center for Health Information and Analysis or may be viewed at the Center’s website at www.mass.gov/chia/regulations.